

Silicon Valley business leaders met with the Long Island Association and Accelerate Long Island to discuss energy policy and corporate tax reform

Washington, DC— On Thursday, Rep. Steve Israel (D – Huntington) joined the Silicon Valley Leadership Group to in a Long Island meeting with and business and community leaders from the Long Island Association (LIA) and Accelerate Long Island program for a discussion on technology and clean energy policy and corporate tax reform.

“If we want to generate new jobs on Long Island, then we need to connect with the leaders from our fastest-growing sectors. That’s why I brought the Silicon Valley Leadership group to meet with Long Island business and community leaders. By creating partnerships and opening discussions on the clean technology economy and collaboration on energy grid security we can maximize Long Island’s economic potential,” said Rep. Israel.

“Congressman Israel and business organizations like the Long Island Association and Accelerate Long Island are critical partners in ensuring that America grows jobs and is competitive in today’s global economy,” said Carl Guardino, CEO of the Silicon Valley Leadership Group. “We appreciate the invitation to meet with them and thank them for taking the time to participate in substantive discussions on areas of common concern. We look forward to working with Congressman Israel and the Long Island business associations in the future.”

"We're honored to host the Silicone Valley Leadership Group on Long Island today and we thank Congressman Israel for facilitating the meeting," said Kevin S. Law, President and CEO of the Long Island Association, "It's a tremendous opportunity for us to learn from their experiences in creating a high tech economy and how that relates to what Accelerate Long Island's impact will be on the Island's economy. It's also a good opportunity to discuss broader issues affecting the business community from a national perspective."

The Silicon Valley Leadership Group is comprised of more than 345 companies, including leaders in the technology and clean energy industries. The Leadership Group has met with business groups around the country on issues such as corporate tax reform and energy policy.

The meeting was hosted by CA Technologies and included 7 representatives from the Silicon Valley Leadership Group and 14 members from the LIA and Accelerate Long Island.